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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants bring the disclosures attached and listed on completed Form PTO-1449 to the attention of the Examiner and request that the references be considered and made of record in the instant application.

Since the instant Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, no certification under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(b) is required.

Applicants do not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the instant application.

Prompt examination on the merits is requested respectfully.

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